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               THE PAST PERFORMANCE OF AN ASSET-CLASS  
               POPULATION OF BOOK-VALUED INVESTMENTS

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant is in receipt of the non-final office action dated April 29, 2008. Filed herewith is a petition for a three month extension of time and associated fee to extend the time to answer from July 29, 2008 to October 29, 2008.

In response to the Office Action mailed April 29, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows.